(*b*) whether it was to be implemented in July 1964 ;

(*c*) if so, whether it has been implemented ; if not the reasons for not implementing the directions ?

A.—Sri K. V. SHANKARA GOWDA (Minister for Agriculture and Education).—

(*a*) No. Government of India have framed a scheme and States are free to take advantage of the scheme.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) The scheme has been implemented.

General Hospital at Chickballapur

514. Sri K. M. PUTTASWAMY (Chickballapur).—

Will the Minister for Health and Housing be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the steps taken to convert the Combined Hospital at Chickballapur into General Hospital ;

(*b*) whether Government intend to convert the Combined Hospital known as Kandawarda Appaia's Hospital located in Chickballapur also into General Hospital by providing more facilities ;

(*c*) whether a sum, Rs. One lakh has already been sanctioned for conversion of the hospital into General Hospital ?

A.—Sri K. PUTTASWAMY (Minister for Health and Housing).—

(*a*) Orders sanctioning conversion of the Combined Hospital into a General Hospital of 50 beds have been issued on 2nd April 1968.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) No.

CALL ATTENTION TO A MATTER OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

Sri G. AMARE GOWDA.—I call the attention of the Minister for Food and Civil Supplies to the recovery of levy by coercive methods in Sindhanoor Taluk of Raichur District.

Sri B. D. JATTI (Minister for Food and Civil Supplies).—My attention has been called to the alleged recovery of the levy on foodgrains through coercive methods in Sindhanoor Taluk where paddy and other crops are stated to have failed due to non-supply of water, as the Tungbhadra Main Canal suffered a breach at a crucial period.